THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Proposals regarding remodelling of Nellore Station building and ancillary works were sanctioned in 1980—82 at an estimated cost of Rs. 12.27 lakhs.

(b) After the sanction of the above proposals, a different proposal was developed by South Central Railway but this was not finally approved. South Central Railway has now finalised plans for remodelling of Nellore Railway Station at a total anticipated cost of Rs. 20.37 lakhs.

(c) No, Sir. Tenders have been called for remodelling works and the same are under finalisation.

(d) Does not arise.

Organisation of Great Freedom Run in Delhi

2262. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the "Great Freedom Run" organised on 27th February, 1988 in Delhi was marred by a free-for-all by a group of runners at the National Stadium and the furniture and the tennis room was badly damaged;

(b) whether it is a fact that violence took place due to inadequate arrangements made by the race organisers and similar demonstrations occurred at various points on route of the race and that many children were missing;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what was the total expenditure incurred for organising the said Freedom Run?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c) The "Great Freedom Run" was organised by the Pune International Marathon Trust. The organisers have reported that the Great Freedom Run was successful as more than one lakh persons participated. The arrangements for the Freedom Run were adequate. Some participants in the 10 kilometres event who did not follow a-route instructions/directions about the finishing point reached the National Stadium instead of Vijay Chowk. Some of them demanded cash awards and prizes and this led to some untowards incident in which property worth approximately Rs. 10,000/- was damaged at the National Stadium. Some children were reported missing or could not reach home as they did not have money. They were sent to their homes by the police or stadium authorities.

(d) No Government assistance was provided for the Great Freedom Run. Details of expenditure are not available with the Government.

New Trains in Maharashtra

2263. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details about the new trains to be started from different stations in Maharashtra in 1988 with the time schedule, dates and stoppages;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a constant demand of an express train from Pune to Ahmedabad;

(c) if so, whether this demand has been accepted; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Three new trains are proposed to be started. Their details are indicated in the enclosed statement. (*See* below)

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The proposal involves heavy financial investment for upgrading the Diva-Vasai Road Rail link and for provision of requisite passenger amenities. Due to resource constraints this is not feasible at present.

Statement

Tentative schedule, dates and stoppage of new trains in Maharashtras.

1. 37/38 *Vidarbha Express (Tri-weekly)*

37				38
23 40	d.	Bombay V.T.	a.	13 25
14 30	a.	Nagpur	d.	22 30

Days of service

(i) From Bombay VT on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

(ii) From Nagpur on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays.

Stoppages

Wardha and Bhusaval.

2. 965/966 *Bombay - Varanasi Express (4 times a week)*

965				966
05 00	d.	Bombay VT	a.	23 35
13.55	a.	Bhusaval	d.	14.00
14 15	d.		a.	13 20
18.45	a.	Itarsi	d.	08.30
18.55	d.		a.	08 10
22 25	a.	Jabalpur	d.	04 00
22 40	d.		a.	03.45
05.10	a.	Allahabad	d.	21 05
05.35	d.		a.	20.30
08.00	a.	Varanasi	d.	18 00

Days of service

(i) From Bombay VT on Mondays, Wednesday, Thursdays and Saturdays.

(ii) From Varanasi on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays.

Stoppages

Thane, Kalyan, Igatpuri, Nasik Road, Manmad, Bhusaval, Bhurhanpur, Khandwa, Itarsi, Pipariya, Jabalpur, Katni, Satna, Manikpur, Allahabad, Vindyachal, Mirzapur and Chunar.

3. 313/314 *Indravand Express (Daily)*

314		313
18.45	d. Poona	a. 09.40
22.10	d. Bombay VT	d. 05.55

Stoppages

313 Dn : Lonavla

314 Up : Lonavla, Kalyan and Dadar.

Note: The train will replace 321/326 Passenger service.

Survey of Parali Vaijnath-Ahamadnagar Railway station

2264. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the objects of the survey to be conducted by railways about Parali Vaijnath-Ahamadnagar railway line;

(b) whether Government have decided to construct this railway line; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Survey has been approved to determine financial implications of the proposed rail line.

(b) and (c) No further action can be taken till the survey is completed and the survey report is examined.

Restoration of 12th Century Bronze statue of Lord Shiva

2265. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the legal battle about the 12th century bronze statue of Lord Shiva stolen in 1976 from the Pathur temple of Tamil Nadu, has now been settled in London High Court; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to bring back the statue and restore it to the temple?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir, although the High Court of London has upheld the title of the Tamil Nadu Government over the 12th century bronze Nataraja from Pathur temple, the court has yet to pass orders restoring the idol to Tamil Nadu Government. The court is likely to hear the case for costs and pass restoration orders in April, 1988.

(b) The idol can be brought back to India only after the court passes the restoration order and the period of appeal over that order expires.

Productivity of the Cochin Shipyard

2266. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the productivity of the Cochin Shipyard is only about 50 per cent affecting its viability; and